HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 583 By Hargett

A RESOLUTION to commend Samantha Nicole Birdsong for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Samantha Nicole Birdsong is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative Trè Hargett; Samantha's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Memphis, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Samantha has achieved academic success while majoring in International Relations and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, a 2000 graduate of Collierville High School, Ms. Birdsong is one of three children of Richard and Debi Birdsong; has three dogs, Dixie, Gizmo and Dakota; and has been a resident of Shelby County since she was six years old; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Samantha Birdsong brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2005 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2005 legislative session, Ms. Birdsong has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; she was elected Minority Leader in mock session and named "Best Party Person" of the intern class; and

WHEREAS, Samantha has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Samantha Nicole Birdsong for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Trè Hargett and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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